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Dear Brian:

The City of Monterey proposes the following language be added to Section 2.C.1 of the draft "Policy on Coastal Erosion" document.

Sediment should not be disregarded for beach replenishment simply based on an arbitrary percentage of sand, silt, and clay. Sediment that contains a mixture of fine-grained sand should be considered for beach replenishment, if site specific, scientific analysis can demonstrate that the beach will be replenished by such disposal, and that no significant collateral, negative environmental impacts will be experienced.

It is important that all materials which can benefit beach nourishment be utilized and not arbitrarily taken out of the litoral system.

Thank you for providing an opportunity to make comments on the draft policy.

Sincerely,

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